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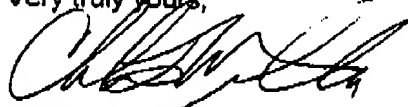
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Appellant: Jonathan R. Merril  
Application No: 09/955,939  
Hearing Room: A  
Hearing Docket: B  
Hearing Date: Tuesday, November 18, 2008  
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